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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : ROSAZZA, et al.
SERIAL NO : 09/225,426
FILED : January 5, 1999
TITLE : PURIFIED NITRIC OXIDE SYNTHASE

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Examiner : Saucier, S.
Conf. No. : 6896
Docket No. : P00297US1

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
(37 CFR 1.136(a))

To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 23, 2001 for two months from July 23, 2001 to September 23, 2001.

A check for \$400 for two months is attached to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 26-0084. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a))

I hereby certify that this document and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 20 day of September, 2001.

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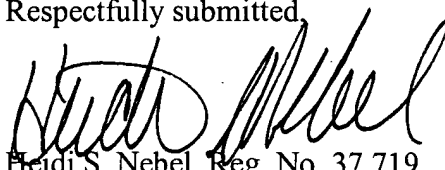
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A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed
herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Heidi S. Nebel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Heidi" and last name "Nebel" clearly distinguishable.

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